

Rebuttal to Argument Against Prop 26

250 words

Proposition 26 fixes a loophole that allows politicians to impose new taxes on businesses and consumers by falsely calling them "fees".

Proposition 26 stops politicians from increasing Hidden Taxes on food, water, cell phones and even emergency services – BILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN HIGHER COSTS THAT CONSUMERS WILL PAY, NOT BIG CORPORATIONS.

Politicians and special interests oppose Prop. 26 because they want to take more money from working California families by putting "fees" on everything they can think of. Their interest is simple –more taxpayer money for the politicians to waste, including on lavish public pensions.

Here are the facts:

Prop. 26 protects legitimate fees and WON'T ELIMINATE OR PHASE OUT ANY OF CALIFORNIA'S ENVIRONMENTAL OR CONSUMER PROTECTION LAWS, including:

- Oil Spill Prevention and Response Act
- Hazardous Substance Control Laws
- California Clean Air Act
- California Water Quality Control Act

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-- Laws regulating licensing and oversight of Contractors, Attorneys and Doctors

"Proposition 26 doesn't change or undermine a single law protecting our air, ocean, waterways or forests – it simply stops the runaway fees politicians pass to fund ineffective programs."

Ryan Broddrick – former Director, Department of Fish and Game

Here's what Prop. 26 really does:

- *Requires a TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE LEGISLATURE FOR PASSING STATEWIDE HIDDEN TAXES* disguised as fees, just like the Constitution requires for regular tax increases.
- *Requires a POPULAR VOTE TO PASS LOCAL HIDDEN TAXES* disguised as fees, just like the Constitution requires for most other local tax increases.

YES on 26 – Stop Hidden Taxes. Preserve our Environmental Protection Laws.

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